

AGENDA
CHILD WELFARE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT PANEL
UTAH LEGISLATURE

Monday, October 6, 2008 • 1:00 p.m. • Room C250 State Capitol

Background materials are available at
<http://www.le.utah.gov/asp/interim/Commit.asp?Year=2008&Com=SPECWL>

Approximate
Time Frame

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| 1:00 | 1. Committee Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Call to order• Approval of the minutes of the July 10, 2008 meeting |
| 1:05 | 2. DCFS Report <p><i>The Division of Child and Family Services will brief the Panel on the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• recently released performance measures for Utah's child welfare system;• recommendations from the Governor's Child and Family Cabinet Council;• total Medicaid spending by DCFS (follow-up to July's meeting); and• the elements of "contracts and purchased services" from page 26 of the Division's 2007 Annual Report (follow-up to July's meeting) |
| 1:30 | 3. Kin Placements <p><i>As follow-up to information distributed at the Panel's November 2007 meeting and discussion at July's meeting, DCFS will present data on formal and informal placements of children with relatives, including placements in which the parents of the child are divorced. The Division will discuss kin placement best practices in the U.S.</i></p> |
| 2:00 | 4. Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Child Welfare <p><i>As follow-up to the Panel's July meeting, the Division of Child and Family Services will present child welfare measures broken down by race and ethnicity and will report on the involvement of ethnic communities in Utah's child welfare system.</i></p> |
| 2:30 | 5. Foster Care <p><i>As follow-up to the presentation by the Utah Foster Care Foundation at the Panel's July meeting, the Panel will consider two issues:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the implications of replacing the current fixed-rate foster care payment system with a cost reimbursement system; and• how to shorten the time it takes to become a foster parent. |
| 3:00 | 6. Family Support Centers |

The Panel will receive a report from family support centers on the shortage of capacity to meet the demand for nursery respite and crisis services.

3:15 7. Other Business

3:30 8. Adjourn